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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- In Japanese Patent Publication Reference JP-A-347177/1992, a golf ball having a larger diameter than usual golf balls is disclosed. Because this golf ball is hard to embed into the grass when it is placed on the fairway, it can be hit with ease. According to this golf ball, reduction of the air resistance is

contemplated through ingeniously arranging dimples thereby suppressing reduction of the travel distance resulting from the large diameter.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 14, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- In Japanese Patent Publication Reference JP-A Nos. 11423/1994 and 211301/1998, a golf ball having the elevated moment of inertia is disclosed through making the diameter larger. According to this golf ball, decrease of the travel distance which results from the large diameter is suppressed on behalf of the high moment of inertia.--